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June 13, 2021

Third Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE

Keith Ciccone, Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Frady

INTROIT

*Sing a New Song*

Valerie Johnson, Soprano

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Come, walk in the light of faith.

**We will walk humbly with our God.**

Come, love in the light of faith.

**We will love everything the light touches.**

Come, grow in the light of faith.

**We grow in in the Light of Christ.**

Come, live in the light of faith.

**We will live as faithful disciples of Jesus our Redeemer.**

HYMN

*The Church's One Foundation*

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

Help us to walk by faith, O God, not by sight. Be our vision, Holy One, for without vision your people perish. Remind us that you do not see as mortals see, for you do not judge by outward appearances, but look to the heart. With our eyes of faith enlightened, help us see your kingdom in a tiny mustard seed, and marvel at the growth you offer to all through the power of your Spirit. Amen.

\* *Indicates all who are able may stand*

*Please silence your cell phones*

\*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.  
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE READING                      Mark 4: 26-34                      Don Bisset

SERMON                      “**How Does God’s Garden Grow?**”      Rev. Michael Frady

MUSIC RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER    Rev. Suzy Aja Burba

LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.**

HYMN                                      *For the Fruits of This Creation*

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures, here, below.  
Praise Him, above, ye heav’nly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Bountiful God, your kingdom is like seed that is scattered on the ground. How it grows, we do not know, but this is abundance in the harvest. Your kingdom is like a tiny mustard seed that grows into a shrub, where the birds of the air build their nest. May the gifts we bring this day bear the fruit of your kingdom, where all may be fed and all may be blessed. Amen.**

HYMN                                      *Rejoice Ye Pure of Heart*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



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## FIRST CHURCH BRAINTREE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **The Autumn Fair is back! Saturday, October 23, 2021**

If you would like to assist in the planning for our Autumn Fair, please join us for a meeting on Sunday, June 13th at 11am in the Upper Parish Hall. All are welcome!

**YOUTH GROUP** Today, Sunday, June 13th at 1pm outside IN-PERSON

**The next Drive & Drop Food Drive is Wednesday, July 7th 5:00-7:00pm**  
Grocery Gift Cards are always welcome!

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS (ALL ON ZOOM)**

**LEADERSHIP**—Tuesday, June 15 at 7:00pm

**PRUDENTIAL**—Tuesday, July 6 at 7:00pm



The poster for Church Camp 2021 features a green and white color scheme. At the top, there are icons for New Year, Easter, Halloween, and Christmas. The central text reads "Celebrate!" in a large, bold font, followed by "August 16 -20 ❖ 9:00 - noon". Below this is "Happy Holidays" in a cursive font, and "2021 CHURCH CAMP" in large, bold letters. A circular logo for the First Congregational Church of Braintree is on the right. At the bottom, it says "Grades K-3 Campers - Grades 4-6 Helpers" and "Sign up today. Just \$30 for the whole week". The address and website are listed at the very bottom.

### **CHURCH CAMP IS COMING SOON!**

Invite your children, your grandchildren, your neighbors and your friends!

Church Camp is open to all children grades K-6

(K-3 = campers, 4-6 = helpers)

More info on our website:

[www.firstchurchbraintree.com](http://www.firstchurchbraintree.com)

***Volunteers are needed!***

**See Mattie for details.**

### **OUTDOOR WORSHIP BEGINS NEXT WEEK**

Weather permitting, our morning worship service will take place on the side lawn near the garden at 9:30am.





**THANK YOU** for joining us at this Service of Worship at First Congregational Church. Of all the things you could have done this morning, we're glad you chose to be with us.



You may attend in-person or view the live-stream of this morning's service.

**Subscribe to the First Church YouTube channel:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTaGrBGnYzfM66pS7Bd4PvA>

**Non-perishable Food Pantry donations** are collected for The Marge Crispin Center on the **first Wednesday of the Month** in front of the church. Contact free! Just drive by and drop. Or place your donations in the basket in LPH or the Narthex. Thank you!

**Televised Worship Services** are broadcast on BCAM: Verizon Channel 28, Comcast Channel 9, on Saturday at 8:00 AM and Sunday at 10:00 AM.

**First Church Office Hours** are Monday through Friday, 9:00am—1:00pm.



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